

STATE of MINNESOTA

WHEREAS: Minnesota runners enjoyed a relatively mild winter but still longed for warmer

temperatures and longer daylight hours. Spring brings with it a renewed sense of

optimism for, and enjoyment of, outdoor running in our beautiful state; and

WHEREAS: Many Minnesota runners are beginning to train for summer and fall races; and

Minnesotans regularly lead the nation in making health and fitness an important WHEREAS:

aspect of their daily lives; and

WHEREAS: The Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon has been a highlight of the Minnesota

running season for 35 years, uniting participants and spectators alike; and

WHEREAS: The events showcases Minneapolis and Saint Paul neighborhoods and the race

has been dubbed "The Most Beautiful Urban Marathon in America;" and

WHEREAS: Race finishers view their "finisher shirts" as badges of pride; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota running community has embraced Finisher Shirt Friday as a

reason to don its finisher shirts in celebration of its achievements and to foster a

sense of communal celebration for its sport.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 22, 2016, as:

FINISHER SHIRT FRIDAY

in the state of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 11th day of April.

SECRETARY OF STATE